



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515
5/2/2025

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Texas A&M AgriLife Research project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Texas A&M AgriLife Research, located at 600 John Kimbrough Blvd, Suite 512, 2142 TAMU College Station, TX 77843. The funding would be used for establishing a framework to conduct PFAS surveillance testing using proven lab-based methods, developing a hyperspectral imaging-based rapid detection methodology, evaluating affordable treatment options produced from locally available agriculture byproducts for their PFAS removal potential, assessing locations within water systems and critical watershed zones where evaluated treatment technologies can be implemented, and integrating electron beam technology into a mobile treatment unit to destroy PFAS in solid media and demonstrate its effectiveness. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it proposes to further develop testing and treatment methods and technologies to address per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in liquid and solid media. This project directly addresses a major community concern regarding PFAS contamination in the environment. The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under section 272 of title 15, United States Code. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Jake Ellzey
Member of Congress